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U-12-9,701/DAN-1A (FOIA)

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Mr. Jason Smathers
185 Beacon Street, #3
Somerville, MA 02143

Dear Mr. Smathers:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated November 14, 2010, that you submitted to the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) for the reports and meeting minutes of the DIA Scientific Advisory Committee from 1965 through 1975. I apologize for the delay in responding to your request. DIA continues its efforts to eliminate the large backlog of pending FOIA requests. A search of DIA's systems of records located 54 documents (723 pages) responsive to your request.

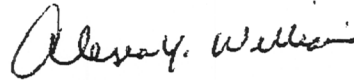
Upon review, I have determined that some portions of 53 documents (686 pages) must be withheld in part from disclosure pursuant to the FOIA. The withheld portions are exempt from release pursuant to Exemptions 1, 3, 5, and 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. §§ 552 (b)(1), (b)(3), (b)(5) and (b)(6). Exemption 1 applies to information properly classified under the criteria of Executive Order 13526. Exemption 3 applies to information specifically exempted by a statute establishing particular criteria for withholding. The applicable statutes are 10 U.S.C. § 424, 18 U.S.C. § 798, 42 U.S.C. § 2162(a), 50 U.S.C. § 403, 50 U.S.C. § 403(g), 50 U.S.C. § 403-1(i), and Public Law No. 86-36. Statute 10 U.S.C. § 424 protects the identity of DIA employees, the organizational structure of the agency, and any function of DIA. Statute 50 U.S.C. § 403-1(i) protects intelligence sources and methods. Statutes 18 U.S.C. § 798, 50 U.S.C. § 403, and P.L. 86-36 protect other Intelligence Community information. Statute 42 U.S.C. § 2162(a) protects information regarding atomic energy. Statute 50 U.S.C. § 403(g) protects Central Intelligence Agency functions and information. Exemption 5 protects advice, analysis, recommendations and opinions that are part of the deliberative process. Exemption 6 applies to information which if released would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of other individuals.

Further, I have determined that one of the responsive documents (37 pages) must be withheld in full pursuant to the FOIA. These withheld documents are exempt from release pursuant to Exemptions 1, 3, and 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. §§ 552 (b)(1), (b)(3), and (b)(6).

If you are not satisfied with my response to your request, you may exercise your right to file an administrative appeal by writing to the address below and referring to case number 0084-2011. Your appeal must be postmarked no later than 60 days after the date of this letter.

Defense Intelligence Agency
ATTN: DAN-1A (FOIA)
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Washington, D.C. 20340-5100

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Alesia Y. Williams". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Alesia Y. Williams
Chief, Freedom of Information Act Staff

53 Enclosures